## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR City·of·Eugene·Oregon· PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the issue of peace embraces the deepest hopes of all peoples and remains humanity's guiding inspiration; and

Whereas, global crises impel all citizens to work toward converting humanity's noblest aspirations for world peace into a practical reality for future generations; and

Whereas, there is growing support within our city for a vision of our world at peace, a vision of cooperation between individuals, organizations and nations; and

Whereas, the Eugene Walk for Peace supports the observance of the 11 Days of Honoring Nonviolence from Sept. 11, the 100th anniversary of Gandhi's inauguration of the modern nonviolence movement, to the day proclaimed by the United Nations to be the International Day of Peace, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>; and

Whereas, the Eugene Walk for Peace supports and affirms the creation of a Cabinet-Level U.S. Department of Peace to study and advance peace and non-violence as the organizing principles in all human relations from families and neighborhoods, to courts and congresses, to cities, states and nations; and

Whereas, a Department of Peace would provide a structure to shift the paradigm in our country toward peace, a shift which is needed now more than ever, to reflect the human spirit of trust, respect, integrity and strengthen the fabric of our country.

Now, therefore, I, Kitty Piercy, Mayor of the City of Eugene, do hereby proclaim September  $11^{th} - 21^{st}$ , 2006 to be

## "Eugene Days of Peace"

In the City of Eugene and encourage all citizens of this community to join me in its observance.

Kity Piercy, Mayor
Dated this 8th day of September, 2006